

The Intelligencer.

Meeting of Congress.

Congress meets in extra session to-day at noon. There will be no delay in the organization, inasmuch as the Democrats have completed their nominations in caucus, and these nominations will be promptly ratified in open session. We are confident that the Democrats will be promptly ratified in open session. We are confident that the Democrats will be promptly ratified in open session.

As regards the financial legislation of Congress, it is hard to say just what significance attaches to Randall's nomination. He comes from the conservative city of Philadelphia, and represents a people who are opposed to inflation, to subsidies, to free trade, and to nearly all the slogans of the Democracy in the Ohio campaign. And yet he has had the audacity to combine men of the North, South and West in his support. Even the New York Democracy, who were said to look upon him as the betrayer of Tilden, support him, as also do Alex. H. Stephens and many leading Southern members.

The coming contest in Congress is not one of politics but of spoils in the shape of subsidies. There will be no politics over Hayes' policy. The Democrats can not make an issue with him and the so-called Republicans dare not. The real interest, therefore, will attach to schemes like the Southern and Northern Pacific railroads, and the improvement of the Mississippi river from St. Paul to the Gulf of Mexico. These big schemes will embrace a hundred smaller ones, like the Monongahela, the Kanawha, the Elk, and every other affluent of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers.

The first business of course by the Army appropriation. That appropriation fell through on the last night of the last session because the bill was amended in the House as to prevent the use of the army in the interest of either contending party or faction in Louisiana and South Carolina. That difficulty is no longer in the way, owing to the President's policy, and of course the appropriation will go through without difficulty. The only stumbling block will be over the increase of the army to say 30,000 men. At present it does not number over 15,000 effective soldiers, if that, and there are those who, with the New York Standard, advocate its reduction to 10,000.

As for the money question, it is not probable that anything of importance will be accomplished. Silver will likely be restored to its place as it stood in 1873, to which, we presume, no strenuous objection will be made, but we do not believe, after all the talk that has been heard on the subject, that the Resumption act of January 14th, 1875, will be repealed. We are too near hard pan for that. The repeal might easily enable us to force it through the Senate, and if it passed both bodies the President could not fail, with his well known views, to "take no steps backward," to veto it. We rejoice to believe that the question of resumption is settling itself in a way that, if left to itself, will give us a solid foundation whereon to build anew the fabric of national prosperity. The result of the Ohio election does not mean more greenbacks.

If it did the Eastern Democracy would be up in arms against it in Congress. The people of Ohio are too solvent and too well satisfied with their solvency to plunge again into the greenback abyss. They are within three points of being out of that pit and they will never consent to sink back again.

Of course there are members of Congress who will introduce bills looking to a general upsetting of monetary matters as they now stand. We may say of such statements, in borrowed language, that "the photographers of history will catch them in the act and place them in the gallery of immortal idiots, where they can be laughed at forever." We are too far along on the road to sobriety after a great historic saturnalia of paper money dissipation to turn about and enter on another of the same sort. The head-aches and heart-aches, and terrible anxieties, pangs, and distressing scenes, incident to a great financial collapse, have been too numerous to make the foolishness of going on another paper money spree popular among sensible people.

A Proposed Innovation in the Episcopal Church.

Boston, October 12.—The Convention re-assembled in the afternoon, and the Committee on Deaconsesses submitted the following provision, through Rev. Dr. Huntington, of Massachusetts:

Women of devout character and proven fitness may be set apart by any Bishop or the Church for the work of deaconesses or sisters, according to such terms as shall be thought best by the House of Bishops. The duties proper of deaconesses or sisters are declared to be care of the Lord's poor and sick, education of the young, religious instruction of the neglected, and work of moral reformation.

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